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PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

Yuko ARAI, et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREPARING AND TRANSMITTING  
ELECTRONIC PROGRAM INFORMATION AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING  
ELECTRONIC PROGRAM GUIDE FROM THE ELECTRONIC PROGRAM  
INFORMATION

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the office action dated September 22, 2004. It is not believed that any extension of time is required to maintain the pendency of this application. If an extension of time is required, kindly consider this to be a petition for whatever time is needed to maintain this pendency. It is believed that no fee is required by this response.